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TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

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STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For JANUARY 1968
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle:									
1. Ran off road	207	1	44	162	1	54	22	25	7
2. Overturned on road	15		4	11		4	1	3	
3. Pedestrian	12	1	11		1	12	2	8	2
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	1023	1	207	815	1	331	53	118	160
5. Parked motor vehicle	123		5	118		7	2	2	3
6. Railroad train	6			6					
7. Bicyclist	1		1			1		1	
8. Animal	42		4	38		6	1	4	1
9. Fixed object	157	1	24	132	1	35	19	15	1
10. Other object	3		1	2		3	2		1
11. Other non-collision	2		1	1		1	1		
12. Misc	2	1	1		1	1			
Totals	1593	5	303	1285	5	455	103	177	175

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF Statewide ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

\$ 100.00 or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

May 23, 1968

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Montana Highway Patrol

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
1. Ran off road	260	2	112	207	1	54	260	2	112	-509
2. Overturned on road	8		5	15		4	8		5	NC
3. Pedestrian	15	1	17	12	1	12	15	1	17	NC
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	802	3	281	1023	1	331	802	3	281	-671
5. Parked motor vehicle	96		11	123		7	96		11	NC
6. Railroad train	4	1	6	6			4	1	6	-604
7. Bicyclist	1		1	1		1	1		1	NC
8. Animal	43		12	42		6	43		12	NC
9. Fixed object	96		32	157	1	35	96		32	+INF
10. Other object	1		3	3		3	1			NC
11. Other non-collision	1		2	2		1	1			NC
12. Misc	5		1	2	1	1	5			NC
Totals	1322	7	478	1593	5	455	1322	7	478	-295

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	5	7	-29
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (million)	299	313	-4.5
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	1.6	2.2	-27
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	1.6	2.2	-27
5. Fatal Accidents	5	7	-29

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, forestry authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000	202		38	164		53						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	163		21	142		27						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	109		15	94		16						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	369		62	300		95						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	843		143	700		191						
1. Controlled access highway	65		13	49		25						
2. State routes	373	4	90	279	4	157						
3. County routes	312	1	54	257	1	82						
4. Other												
5. Not rated												
Total rural	750	5	160	585	5	264						
Total urban and rural	1593	5	303	1285	5	455						

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not started	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Before Noon																		
1. Midnight	47		13		3		5		3		7		6		10			
2. 1:00	4		15		4		3		1		5		9		12			
3. 2:00	39		12		4		3		3		2		4		10			
4. 3:00	14		5		1		1		2		1				4			
5. 4:00	7		1				1				1		1		3			
6. 5:00	10		2		3		1		1				2		1			
7. 6:00	15		2		3		4		2		1		3					
8. 7:00	30		11		6		8		5		3		3		3			
9. 8:00	92		21		16		22		13		13		6		1			
10. 9:00	83	1	15		19		11		11	1	11		9		7			
11. 10:00	80	1	12		17	1	11		10		7		17		6			
12. 11:00	109		16		15		18		19		10		16		15			
13. Noon	108		14		18		21		14		15		10		7			
14. 1:00	100	1	14		19		21		10		7		13		16	1		
15. 2:00	94		17		14		10		10		9		21		13			
16. 3:00	122		19		14		14		6		23		23		12			
17. 4:00	157		25		23		23		21		19		18		28			
18. 5:00	113		13		16		22		16		21		10		15			
19. 6:00	52		11		9		7		6		6		9		9			
20. 7:00	62	1	13		11	1	9		3		13		8		5			
21. 8:00	58		6		15		5		6		13		11		2			
22. 9:00	55	1	7		9	1	10		9		7		9		4			
23. 10:00	48		7		8		6		5		8		10		4			
24. 11:00	40		2		4		8		4		9		6		7			
25. Not started																		
Totals	1593	5	275		251	3	243		180	1	217		233		194	1		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
0 to 4										24	10	14						
5 to 9										19	10	9	3	2	1	1	1	
10 to 14	1	1		1	1					16	7	9	3	1	2			
15 to 19										88	47	39	2	2				
20 to 24										61	30	31						
25 to 34	1	1								74	48	26	1	1				
35 to 44	2	2		1	1					82	33	29						
45 to 54										49	28	21						
55 to 64										40	23	17	1		1			
65 to 74										18	9	9	1	1				
75 & older	1	1								6	2	4	1	1				
Not stated																		
Totals	5	5		2	2					455	247	208	12	8	4	1	1	

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road.

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	318		49	269
2a. From same direction - both going straight	5			5
b. Same - one turn, one straight	46		5	41
c. Same - one stopped	116		37	79
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	7		2	5
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	95		17	78
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	587		110	377

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going against the direction - both moving	122	1	32	89
2. Going same direction - both moving	135		26	109
3a. One car stopped	124		5	119
b. One car stopped in traffic	103		34	69
4a. One car entering parked position	1		1	
b. One car leaving parked position	38		3	35
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	3		1	2
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	33		2	31
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	559	1	103	455

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents			Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
		Total	Intersection	Non intersection	Total	Intersection	Non intersection
1. Car going straight	8	1		1	7	1	6
2. Car turning right	2				2	2	
3. Car turning left	2				2	2	
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	12	1		1	11	5	6

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with:				
1. Non-motor vehicle, main, bicycle, etc.	1		1	
2. Fixed object in road	31		7	24
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	5		2	3
Collision with:				
5. Non-motor vehicle, main, bicycle, etc.	6			6
6. Fixed object in road	124	1	16	107
7. Overturned in road	16		4	12
Left & B. At curve	78	1	19	58
road & C. Straight road	125		24	101
10. Fall from moving vehicle	1		1	
11. All others	48	1	5	42
12. Not stated				
Totals	435	3	79	353

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection		6		2	1				1	2	
b. Same - not at intersection		3		1	1	1					
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic		2			1	1					
b. Same - against traffic		1		1							
3. Standing in roadway	1	1							1		
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway		1						1			
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway											
8. Other at roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated	1	1		1							
Totals	2	15		5	3	2		1	2	2	

Driver of vehicle in proper parking location are included			
8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	33		3
2. 16	74		14
3. 17	114		21
4. 18 to 19	252		48
5. 20 to 24	435		94
6. 25 to 34	513	3	104
7. 35 to 44	490	2	94
8. 45 to 54	360	1	74
9. 55 to 64	236		56
10. 65 to 74	106	1	17
11. 75 & older	42		8
12. Not stated			
Totals	2655	7	533

Driver of vehicle in proper parking location are included			
9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	2030	7	392
2. Female	624		141
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	2655	7	533

Driver of vehicle in proper parking location are included			
10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local residence	2205	5	434
2. Non-local residence in state	289	2	64
3. Non-local residence out of state	161		35
4. Not stated			
Totals	2655	7	533

Vehicles in proper parking location are included			
12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	2354	4	459
2. Passenger car and trailer	2		
3. Truck or truck tractor	347	2	61
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	31		9
5. Other truck combination	41		7
6. Farm tractor and/or farm vehicle	2		1
7. Taxicab	8		2
8. Bus	3		1
9. School bus	6		2
10. Motorcycle	1		1
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	2	1	
Totals	2797	7	543

Special vehicles included above			
13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	184	2	42
2. Wet	88		25
3. Ice/snow or icy	1314	3	234
4. Other			
5. Not stated	9		2
Totals	1593	5	303

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Building	759	5	163
2. Not built-up	834		140
3. Not stated			
Totals	1593	5	303

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	968	3	178
2. Dawn or dusk	77		11
3. Darkness	548	2	114
4. Not stated			
Totals	1593	5	303

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INOICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	385	1	100
2. Failed to yield right of way	213		36
3. Drove left of center	29	1	8
4. Improper overtaking	13		4
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	28		8
7. Followed too closely	33		8
8. Made improper turn	23		1
9. Other improper driving	23		5
10. Inadequate brakes	12		3
11. Improper lights	4		2
12. Not been drinking	21	1	8
Totals	784	3	183

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF Statewide ACCIDENTS

PERIOD January 1968

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	1221	3	223
3. Raining	12		1
4. Snowing	232		48
5. Fog	22	1	9
6. Other	23	1	22
Total	1593	5	303

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	1		
2. Straight road—level	1157	3	223
3. Straight road—hillcrest	31	1	2
4. Straight road—on grade	221	1	40
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	70		19
7. Curve—hillcrest	5		1
8. Curve—on grade	70		16
9. Curve—not stated	22		2
Total	1593	5	303

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	476	2	98
2. Farmers or farm laborers	160	1	25
3. Students	505		29
4. Sales persons	105	1	27
5. Commercial drivers	134		29
6. Military personnel	75		17
7. Housewives & domestic servants	390		89
8. Retired & pensioners	26		18
9. All other workers	694	3	144
Total	2953	7	533

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	84		12
2. Received classroom training in school	7		2
3. Received behind the wheel training	4		1
4. Received both classes of training	207	1	55
5. No driver training	1458	6	324
Total	1760	7	404

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	6		
2. HBD—obviously drunk	12	1	4
3. HBD—ability impaired	25		7
4. HBD—ability not impaired	38		7
5. HBD—not known if impaired	75		25
6. Had not been drinking	1360	4	349
7. Not known if drinking	33	2	12
Total	1760	7	404

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	3		2
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	53		11
4. Loose material on surface	20		4
5. Under construction or repair	8		1
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	2		1
7. Other	41		12
8. No defects	926	5	202
Total	1056	5	233

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	229	1	25
2. Equipped with in use	410	1	77
3. Equipped with not in use	291	3	199
4. Not equipped with	1025	2	232
Total	2655	7	533
1. Not stated	1036	1	154
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	185	2	98
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	95	1	26
4. SB did not or could not have helped	1939	3	255
Total	2655	7	533

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	774	4	180
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	282	1	53
3. Not stated			
Total	1056	5	233
1. Not stated	271		72
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	22	2	39
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	2		
4. Exceeding legal speed limit	38		13
5. No speed violation	1460	5	207
Total	1953	7	412
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination			
2. Hit & run accidents	1		



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	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	
Motor Vehicle:									
1. Ran off road	7		2	5		3	1	2	
2. Overturned on road	1			1					
3. Pedestrian	10		10			10	2	6	2
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	649		111	538		150	12	39	99
5. Parked motor vehicle	102		5	97		7	2	2	3
6. Railroad train	3			3					
7. Bicyclist	1		1			1		1	
8. Animal	1			1					
9. Fixed object	68		14	54		20	11	9	
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	1			1					
12. Misc									
Totals	843		143	700		191	28	59	104

SUMMARY OF Urban ACCIDENTS

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	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Motor Vehicle										
1. Ran off road	18		3	7		3	12	1	3	-100%
2. Overturned on road	2		1	1			2		1	NC
3. Pedestrian	10		10	10		10	10		10	-100%
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	508		129	649		150	508		129	NC
5. Parked motor vehicle	72		8	102		7	79		8	NC
6. Railroad train	1			3			1			NC
7. Bicyclist				1		1				NC
8. Animal				1						NC
9. Fixed object	42		13	68		20	42		13	NC
10. Other object										
11. Other non-collision	1			1			1			NC
12. Misc										
Totals	661	2	164	843	191	661	2	164	-100%	

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	0	2	-100%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)		NA	
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles		NA	
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles		NA	
5. Fatal	0	2	-100%
6. Accidents			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Township, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents			Number of Persons			Number of Accidents			Number of Persons		
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Fatal	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more population as determined in 1960 or later												
1. 2,500 to 10,000	202		38	164		53						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	133		21	112		27						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	109		15	94		16						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	359		69	290		95						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	843		143	700		191						
RURAL: All locations other than those listed above												
1. Controlled access highway												
2. State routes												
3. County routes												
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural												
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Hour beginning																		
6. Midnight	20		5		2		1				2		6		4			
1. 1:00	27		5		2				1		1		6		9			
2. 2:00	13		4		1		1		1		2		3		6			
3. 3:00	6		2		1		1				1				1			
4. 4:00	3		1												2			
5. 5:00																		
6. 6:00	7		1		1				1									
7. 7:00	21		6		4		6		3		1		1					
8. 8:00	57		14		6		14		10		9		1					
9. 9:00	47		7		6		9		6		6		4		3			
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12. Noon	71		7		11		15		15		11		15		3			
1. 1:00	31		10		13		8		5		3		8		4			
14. 2:00	42		10		5		6		4		7		9		1			
15. 3:00	57		7		7		8		1		14		14		6			
16. 4:00	93		18		13		13		13		7				17			
17. 5:00	62		7		9		16		8		12		5		5			
18. 6:00	22		5		3		3		2		5		2		2			
19. 7:00	34		5		7		5		1		7		5		4			
20. 8:00	28		4		5		4		2		6		6		1			
21. 9:00	29		4		6		4		3		5		5		2			
22. 10:00	27		3		5		3		3		4		5		1			
23. 11:00	28		2		1		7				7		5		2			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	843		144		133		138		92		178		178		81			

4. AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										10	5	5						
2. 5 to 9										6	2	4	2	1	1	1	1	
3. 10 to 14										7	3	4	3	1	2			
4. 15 to 19										43	21	22	2	2				
5. 20 to 24										22	10	12						
6. 25 to 34										2	3	11						
7. 35 to 44										23	17	20						
8. 45 to 54										21	7	14						
9. 55 to 64										14	6	8	1		1			
10. 65 to 74										9	2	7	1	1				
11. 75 & older										2	1	1	1	1				
12. Not stated																		
Totals										191	83	108	10	6	4	1	1	

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering or angle	229		33	196
2a. From same direction - both going straight	4			4
b. Same - one turn, one straight	46		5	41
c. Same - one stopped	114		36	78
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	7		2	5
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	81		9	72
c. Same - all others				
d. Not stated				
Totals	481		85	396

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	41		7	34
2. Going same direction - both moving	20		1	28
3a. One car parked	102		5	97
b. One car stopped in traffic	38		12	26
4a. One car entering parked position	1			1
b. One car leaving parked position	30		3	27
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	3		1	2
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	20		2	24
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	270		31	239

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents			Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
		Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	6				6	1	5
2. Car turning right	2				2		2
3. Car turning left	2				2		2
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	10				10	5	5

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with				
1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	1		1	
2. Fixed object in road	31		7	24
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road				
At Intersections				
5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	3			3
6. Fixed object in road	37		7	30
7. Overturned in road	1			1
8. At curve	4		1	3
9. Straight road	3		1	2
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others	2			2
12. Not stated				
Totals	92		17	65

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
Pedestrians Killed	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway, at intersection	6		2	1				1		
b. Same - not at intersection	2			1	1					
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic	1		1							
b. Same - against traffic										
3. Standing in roadway										
4. Getting on or off urban vehicle										
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway										
6. Other working in roadway										
7. Playing in roadway										
8. Other in roadway										
9. Not in roadway										
10. Not stated										
Totals	11		3	3	2			1	2	

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	12		2
2. 16	52		7
3. 17	73		11
4. 18 to 19	164		27
5. 20 to 24	236		45
6. 25 to 34	259		46
7. 35 to 44	282		56
8. 45 to 54	183		33
9. 55 to 64	130		27
10. 65 to 74	62		8
11. 75 & older	27		4
12. Not stated			
Totals	1516		266

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1079		177
2. Female	437		89
3. Not stated			
Totals	1516		266

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	1430		245
2. Residing elsewhere in state	66		16
3. Nonresident of state	20		5
4. Not stated			
Totals	1516		266

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1445		249
2. Passenger car and trailer	1		
3. Truck or truck tractor	171		21
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	3		1
5. Other truck combination			
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Trolley	7		1
8. Bus	1		1
9. School bus	3		
10. Motorcycle	1		1
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated			
Totals	1632		274

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	42		13
2. Wet			
3. Slushy or icy	47		14
4. Other	754		116
5. Not stated			
Totals	843		143

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Buildup	2		3
2. Not buildup	894		140
3. Not stated			
Totals	843		143

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	534		80
2. Dawn or dusk	38		11
3. Darkness	271		52
4. Not stated			
Totals	843		143

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	197		43
2. Failed to yield right of way	164		25
3. Drove left of center	4		
4. Improper overtaking	7		1
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Obeyed traffic signal	25		8
7. Followed too closely	23		7
8. Made improper turn	15		
9. Other improper driving	10		2
10. Inadequate brakes	7		
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	11		2
Totals	463		88

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF

ACCIDENTS

Urban

PERIOD

January 1968

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	708		114
3. Raining	1		
4. Snowing	103		24
5. Fog	8		4
6. Other	23		1
Total	843		143

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	671		123
3. Straight road—hillycrest	12		1
4. Straight road—on grade	118		12
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	28		7
7. Curve—hillycrest			
8. Curve—on grade	12		
9. Curve—not stated	1		
Total	843		143

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	334		65
2. Farmers or farm laborers	34		2
3. Students	351		51
4. Sales persons	54		11
5. Commercial drivers	42		7
6. Military personnel	47		8
7. Housewives & domestic servants	267		58
8. Retired & pensioners	61		9
9. All other workers	326		55
Total	1516		266

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	9		1
2. Received classroom training in school	4		1
3. Received behind the wheel training			
4. Received both classes of training	124		23
5. No driver training	861		159
Total	998		184

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. HBD—obviously drunk	1		1
3. HBD—ability impaired	8		2
4. HBD—ability not impaired	5		2
5. HBD—not known if impaired	16		12
6. Had not been drinking	39		164
7. Not known if drinking	923		
Total	998		184

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	1		1
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	36		5
4. Loose material on surface	5		
5. Under construction or repair			
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	2		1
7. Other			
8. No defects	507		93
Total	551		100

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Equipped with in use	4		1
3. Equipped with not in use	204		38
4. Not equipped with	711		131
Total	597		96
1. Not stated	1516		266
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	520		79
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	17		15
4. SB did not or could not have helped	3		
Total	976		172
Total	1516		266

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	456		85
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	95		15
3. Not stated			
Total	551		100
1. Not stated	184		42
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	18		9
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	8		3
5. No speed violation	862		136
Total	1073		190
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	5		2
2. Hit & run accidents			

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In Montana

(State)

For February 1968

(Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	219	6	96	117	6	146	40	65	41
2. Overturned on road	8		4	4		6	1	3	2
3. Pedestrian									
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	179	1	45	143	1	86	28	38	20
5. Parked motor vehicle	14		1	13		1		1	
6. Railroad train	3	1	2		1	3	2		1
7. Bicyclist									
8. Animal	42		2	40		2		1	1
9. Fixed object	57	2	12	43	3	17	7	7	3
10. Other object	5		1	4		2		2	
11. Other non-collision									
12. Misc.									
Totals	527	10	163	354	11	263	78	117	68

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding, wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, with or without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF Rural ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving least bodily injury or property damage of

\$100. or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

May 23, 1968

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Montana Highway Patrol

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	Cumulative Death Record
Motor Vehicle										
1. Ran off road	205	2	111	419	7	197	447	3	220	-75%
2. Overturned on road	4		2	22		10	10		6	NG
3. Pedestrian	3		4	2	1	2	6		11	-inf%
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	214		92	553	2	267	508	5	244	-60%
5. Parked motor vehicle	14		1	35		1	31		3	NG
6. Railroad train	5		2	6	1	3	6	1	8	NG
7. Bicyclist									1	NG
8. Animal	30		2	83		8	73		15	NG
9. Fixed object	49		12	146	4	52	93		21	-inf%
10. Other object	2		1	8		5	3		4	-inf%
11. Other non-collision	1		1	2		1	1		1	NG
12. Misc.	1		1	1	1	1	9		1	+inf%
Totals	521	4	227	1277	16	527	1192	9	541	-75%

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	16		-75%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Total accidents	15		-67%
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies Tribes, parkway, military, forestry authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more population												
1. 2,500 to 10,000												
2. 10,000 to 25,000												
3. 25,000 to 50,000												
4. 50,000 to 100,000												
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8. Total urban												
RURAL: All locations other than urban												
1. Controlled access highway	30	1	9	20	2	20						
2. State routes	279	6	23	180	6	152						
3. County routes	218	3	61	154	3	91						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	527	10	163	354	11	263						
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal		All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Before Noon																	
6. Midnight	23	1	5	3		2	1	1		2		6		1			
1. 1:00	21	2	1	1				1		2	1	6	1	6			
2. 2:00	20		3	4						1		5		11			
3. 3:00	14	1	3	2		1		1		1		2	1	4			
4. 4:00	6			1		1						2		2			
5. 5:00	4							2		1		2					
6. 6:00	9		2	2		2		2		1		3		1			
7. 7:00	23		3	1		8		2		4		3		2			
8. 8:00	22	1	5	4		1		5		1		1		4			
9. 9:00	12		5	5		3		3		5		2		1			
10. 10:00	17	1	2	1		5	1	1		2		1		1			
11. 11:00	21	3	4	2		3		3		5		6	2	1			
12. Noon	18		3	2		6		3		3		3					
13. 1:00	32	1	5	4		3		5		2		5		8	1		
14. 2:00	28		4	1		4		3		4		6		7			
15. 3:00	31		5	2		2		4		6		10		10			
16. 4:00	39		3	3		4		4		9		4		16			
17. 5:00	23		2	3		2		4		6		6		6			
18. 6:00	24	1	6	3		3		1		6		3	1	6			
19. 7:00	22		2	4		1		7		3		3		4			
20. 8:00	22		9	4		5		5		3		3		4			
21. 9:00	15		1	2		2		2		2		4		7			
22. 10:00	14		1	2		2		2		6		5					
23. 11:00	20		1	1		1		2		4		1		4			
24. Not stated	1											1					
Totals	527	10	74	55		56	2	64		63	1	57	4	103	2		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										7	4	3						
2. 5 to 9										2	1	1						
3. 10 to 14										11	1	10	1		1			
4. 15 to 19										59	32	27						
5. 20 to 24	1	1								53	41	12						
6. 25 to 34	4	2	2							36	30	6						
7. 35 to 44	3	3								41	29	12						
8. 45 to 54	1	1								25	17	8						
9. 55 to 64	2	2								16	7	9						
10. 65 to 74										8	6	2						
11. 75 & older										5	5							
12. Not stated																		
Totals	11	9	2							263	180	83	1		1			

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Following at angle	46	1	7	38
2a. From same direction - both going straight				
b. Same - one turn, one straight				
c. Same - one stopped				
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight				
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	3		4	3
c. Same - all others				
d. Not stated				
Totals	51	1	9	41

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	41		14	27
2. Going same direction - both moving	56		17	39
3a. One car parked	14		1	13
b. One car stopped in traffic	16		5	11
4a. One car entering parked position				
b. One car leaving parked position	10			10
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	2		2	
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	141		37	104

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents			Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
		Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight							
2. Car turning right							
3. Car turning left							
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals							

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with:				
1. Non-motor vehicle, man, bicycle, etc.				
2. Fixed object in road				
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	11		8	3
Collision with:				
5. Non-motor vehicle, man, bicycle, etc.	3	1	2	4
6. Fixed object in road	57	2	12	43
7. Overturned in road	6		4	4
8. At curve	26	4	43	49
9. Straight road	113	2	45	66
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others	47		5	41
12. Not stated				
Totals	335	9	117	209

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway of intersection											
b. Same -- not at intersection											
2a. Rolling in roadway -- with traffic											
b. Same -- against traffic											
3. Standing on roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway											
8. Other in roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated	1				1						
Totals	1				1						

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	15		7
2. 16	24		
3. 17	37		13
4. 18 to 19	55		18
5. 20 to 24	118	2	37
6. 25 to 34	159	2	35
7. 35 to 44	127	2	44
8. 45 to 54	87	2	24
9. 55 to 64	26	2	15
10. 65 to 74	20		11
11. 75 & older	24		4
12. Not stated			
Totals	712	11	212

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	595	10	183
2. Female	117	1	29
3. Not stated			
Totals	712	11	212

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local residents	498	5	147
2. Residing elsewhere in state	154	5	45
3. Unincorporated out of state	60	1	20
4. Not stated			
Totals	712	11	212

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	571	9	161
2. Passenger car and trailer	3		
3. Truck or truck tractor	116	1	40
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	9	1	2
5. Other truck combination	21		8
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	1		1
7. Taxicab			
8. Bus			
9. School bus	2		1
10. Motorcycle	2		2
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycles	1		1
12. Others and not stated	3		
Totals	729	11	216

Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)			
14. Military vehicles	3		1
15. Other publicly owned vehicles	5		

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	273	6	89
2. Wet	53		12
3. Snowy or icy	193	4	60
4. Other	4		2
5. Not stated			
Totals	527	10	163

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	3		2
2. Not built-up	524	10	161
3. Not stated			
Totals	527	10	163

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	554	4	71
2. Dusk or dark	22		3
3. Daylight	245	6	66
4. Not stated	1		1
Totals	527	10	163

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	242	4	63
2. Failed to yield right of way	28	1	8
3. Drove left of center	13	1	5
4. Improper overtaking	2		3
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	7		4
7. Drove too closely	4		1
8. Made improper turn	5		2
9. Other improper driving	11		5
10. Inadequate brakes	2		1
11. Improper lights	2		
12. Not seen during	12	2	7
Totals	244	8	99

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF

ACCIDENTS

Rural

PERIOD

January 1962

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	512	2	109
2. Clear	1		1
3. Raining	135		24
4. Snowing	21	1	5
5. Fog	70	1	21
6. Other	750	5	160
Total			

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	486	3	100
2. Straight road—level	10	1	1
3. Straight road—hillcrest	103	1	28
4. Straight road—on grade			
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	51		12
7. Curve—hillcrest	5		1
8. Curve—on grade	64		16
9. Curve—not stated	22		2
Total	750	5	160

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	142	2	33
2. Farmers or farm laborers	106	1	23
3. Students	154		38
4. Sales persons	51	1	16
5. Commercial drivers	112		29
6. Military personnel	23		6
7. Housewives & domestic servants	122		31
8. Retired & pensioners	35		9
9. All other workers	268	2	89
Total	1129	7	267

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	75		11
2. Received classroom training in school	3		1
3. Received behind the wheel training	4		1
4. Received both classes of training	83	1	32
5. No driver training	507	6	175
Total	762	7	220

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	5		
2. HBD—obviously drunk	10	1	3
3. HBD—ability impaired	23		8
4. HBD—ability not impaired	22		5
5. HBD—not known if impaired	36		13
6. Had not been drinking	637	4	185
7. Not known if drinking	32	2	9
Total	762	7	220

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		1
2. Defective shoulders	20		6
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	15		4
4. Loose material on surface	2		1
5. Under construction or repair	41		12
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	419	5	109
7. Other	505	5	133
8. No defects			
Total			

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	225	1	24
2. Equipped with in use	206	1	39
3. Equipped with not in use	280	3	68
4. Not equipped with	428	2	136
Total	1139	7	267
1. Not stated	516	1	75
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	168	2	83
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	92	1	26
4. SB did not or could not have helped	263	3	83
Total	1139	7	267

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	316	4	95
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	187	1	38
3. Not stated			
Total	505	5	133
1. Not stated	64		30
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	1	2	21
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit	30		10
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit	508	5	131
5. No speed violation	780	7	222
Total			
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	17		2
2. Hit & run accidents	1		





